

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE**

**GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you;

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts;

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God;

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**THE COMMUNION**

Please hold the elements as you are served until prompted.

**THE COMMUNION PRAYER**

**\*HYMN** “All Who Are Thirsty”

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**SENDING**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RESPONSE** “He Lives!”

He lives, he lives! Christ Jesus lives today!

He walks with me and talks with me Along life’s narrow way!

He lives, he lives! Salvation to impart!

You ask me how I know He lives; He lives within my heart!

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you**

Leader: Let us share this peace with one another

(Please share the peace of Christ with those around you)

**\*POSTLUDE** “See How Great a Flame Aspires” by David Paxton

**\*Please stand if you are able**

**Scripture for May 31** Genesis 1;1-2:4a

Matthew 28:16-20

2 Corinthians 13:11-13



**OHIO UNITED**

*Presbyterian Church*



**Loving God;  
Loving Neighbors;**

**Helping Our Neighbors to Love God**

**May 24, 2026**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION** Communicycle Lee Montanari

**As we prepare our hearts and minds to spread the good news of Christ’s salvation**

**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE** “Sonata On “Ebenezer” Shirley Fluharty

Come O Spirit, Dwell Among Us by Robert W. Thygerson

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Liturgist: Greg Holsinger

Holy Spirit, Creator, in the beginning you moved over waters.

From your breath all creation drew life. Without you, life turns to dust.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Counselor, by your inspiration, the prophets spoke and acted in faith. You clothed them in power to be bearers of your Word.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Power, you came as fire to Jesus’ disciples; you gave them voice before the rulers of this world.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Sanctifier, you created us children of God; you make us the living temple of your presence; you intercede within us with sighs too deep for words.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Giver of life, you guide and make holy the church you create; you give gifts: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and fortitude, the spirit of knowledge and piety, the spirit of the fear of the Lord, that the whole creation may become what you want it to be.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

True and only Light, from whom comes every good gift: Send your Spirit into our lives with the power of a mighty wind. Open the horizons of our minds by the flame of your wisdom. Loosen our tongues to show your praise, for only in your Spirit can we voice your words of peace and acclaim Jesus as Lord.

**Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION** (unison)

**Almighty God, at the feast of Pentecost you sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel; empower us with that same spirit to witness to your redeeming love and draw all people to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

**\*HYMN** "On Pentecost They Gathered" 289

### CALL TO CONFESSION

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

**Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*Silence is kept for a time of personal confession*

### DECLARATION OF PARDON

Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Amen

**\*RESPONSE** "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

### HEARING THE WORD

### PRAYER OF UNDERSTANDING

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light

we may see light, in truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**SPECIAL MUSIC** "O Beautiful For Spacious Skies" Chris & Denise Mathias

### CHILDREN'S CHAT

*All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work (2 Timothy 3:16-17)*

*Now we are all [sitting] here in the presence of God, to listen to everything the Lord has commanded you to tell us (Acts 10:33)*

**SCRIPTURE** Acts 2:1-21

**SERMON** "Fifty Days Later"

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**\*AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**(from A Brief Statement of Faith, 10.4)**

**The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. Amen**

**\*HYMN** "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" 286

### PRAYER SHAWL BLESSING

Pastor: Gracious, loving and healing God bless this shawl that it might be tangible evidence of the love and prayers of this congregation

**All: Bless the one who receives this shawl. May he/she be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace and wrapped in God's love, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen**

**OFFERTORY** "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God" by James Koerts

**\*RESPONSE** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" 606

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sunday School** Children 3 yr - 6th grade during worship following  
Children's chat

Adult Sunday School - at 9am studying the Holy Spirit

**Tuesday, May 26**– MANNA

**Sunday, May 31**–Baptisms of Kathleen Crosby and Hayes Hopkins

**REGISTER NOW!** VBS IS JUNE 8 – JUNE 12  
9:30AM – 12PM

### **VBS Craft items Needed:**

Pop/Soda twist off bottle Caps

CDs/DVDs

Camp Lanterns

There will be a box in the Narthex for the donations

**Ruth Circle is starting a new Bible Study in June about the book of Job.  
Ruth Circle meets the second Wednesday of the month at 1:00pm in the  
Library from March through November. If interested in an afternoon  
Bible Study contact Karen Keller to order a study book.**

**Keep Them in Your Prayers:** Donna Olexick, Rich Kerlin, Peter Kerlin,  
Jack Gennaro, Paul Kulha, Jim Williams, Cheryl Lachowicz, Joanie McCowin

**In the Military:** William Barth, Nick Hoth

**Those who are not able to worship regularly:** Dolores Skinner,  
Ella Mae Speiker, Edna Petrella, Dorothy Elko, Betty Solinski,  
Ed & Evelyn Lawson, Everitt Laird, Betty Martin, Brenda Jones

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- Sunday worship 10:00 am
- Sunday School for our younger members  
(Grades Pre-K - 6th grade) during worship

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**Worship Accompanist:** Skye Lanham

**Custodian:** Monica Ward

**Treasurer:** Chris Hurni

**Organist Emerita:** Shirley Fluharty

### **OUR SESSION**

CLASS OF 2028: Chris Mathias (2T), Patti Strominger (2T)

Cathy Kapton, Amy Muslin

CLASS OF 2027: Marcus McCowin, Christina Palmer

Michael Kamenski, Charles Hendrick

CLASS OF 2026: Joe Glatz, Jennifer Davis

Rich Palmer (2T), John Martin (2T)

### **OUR DEACONS**

CLASS OF 2028: Denise Mathias (2T), Ken Jones (2T)

Jeff Barth, Missy Sardo

CLASS OF 2027: Eleanor Pike (2T), Bob Hurni (2T)

Chris Hurni, Ginny Adams

CLASS OF 2026: Dave Kocher, Ivonne Holsinger

Greg Holsinger, Dianne Kanitra (2T)

